Govts. under various river action plans for treatment and disposal of municipal waste water including energy generation, whenever feasible besides financial assistance for selected demonstration projects under UNDP assisted programmes.

Urjagram Scheme

5970. SHRI RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the main features of the Urjagram Scheme;

(b) what is the target for the Eighth Five Year Plan; and

(c) what is the progress so far achieved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) to (c) The Urjagram Programme aims at planned introduction of decentralised energy supply options in villages by harnessing locally available energy resources such as solar wind biomass, etc. in an integrated manner and ultimately bringing about energy self-sufficiency. Projects are taken up, in villages identified through energy surveys, and on cost sharing basis. Funds are also provided for operation and maintenance of the systems installed.

The target for the Eighth Five Year Plan is to set up 125 Urjagrams in various parts of the country and to undertake 500 Energy Surveys.

A total of 209 Urjagrams in 15 States|UTs and 1798 Energy Surveys in 21 States|UTs have been completed till 31.3.1994, out of which 54 urjagrams and 2241 surveys have been completed during the first two years of the Eighth Plan (1992—94).

However, with the transfer of the Integrated Rural Energy Programme from the Planning Commission to this Ministry from 1st April, 1994, it is proposed to merge the Urjagram Scheme with the Integrated Rural Energy Programme and recast the Programme suitably for the remaining part of the Eighth Plan.

गुजरात में गैर-पारम्परिक ऊर्जा स्रोतों के विकास के लिये परियोजनाएं

5971. **श्री गोपाल सिंह जी० सोलंकी :** क्या **प्रधान मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) केन्द्रीय सरकार को गुजरात सरकार द्वारा 31 दिसम्बर, 1993 तक गैर-पारम्परिक ऊर्जा स्रोतों के विकास के लिये प्रस्तुत की गयी परियोजनाओं का ब्यौरा क्या है ;

(ख) जिलेवार कितनी परियोजनाओं को उक्त अवधि में स्वीकृति प्रदान की गई है ; और

(ग) शेष प्रस्तावों/परियोजनाओं को कब तक मंजूरी प्रदान किये जाने की संभावना है ?

गैर-पारम्परिक ऊर्जा स्रोत मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एस० कृष्ण कुमार) : (क) बायोगैस, उन्नत चूल्हा और सौर कुकरों के जारी विस्तार कार्यक्रमों के अतिरिक्त गुजरात सरकार से 5 प्रस्ताव प्राप्त हुये थे जिनमें बायोमास गैसीफायर विद्युत उत्पादन प्रणालियां, पवन फार्म, सौर प्रकाशवोल्टीय तथा सौर तापीय प्रणालियों की संस्थापना और दोहरे ईंधन वाली बसें चलाना शामिल है ।

(ख) और (ग) वर्ष 1993-94 के दौरान कच्छ जिले में बायोमास गैसीफायर विद्युत उत्पादन प्रणाली और सुरेन्द्र नगर जिले में पवन फार्म परियोजना की स्थापना के लिये प्रस्तावों को मंजूरी दी गई है । सौर प्रकाशवोल्टीय घटक, जिसमें 200 सौर लालटेन शामिल हैं, को गुजरात के विभिन्न जिलों में वितरण के लिये मंजूरी दी गई है । राज्य के विभिन्न जिलों में 100 दोहरी ईंधन वाली बसें चलाने और सौर तापीय

प्रणाली के संग्राहक क्षेत्र के 6046 वर्ग मीटर की स्थापना के प्रस्तावों को मंजूरी दी गई है ।

Transfer of employees of Kendriya Bhandar in New Delhi

5972. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that most of the staff of Kendriya Bhandar have been working at the same place for the last five years in Delhi|New Delhi; if so, what are the reasons therefore;

(b) what are the policies and rules of Government with regard to their transfer;

(c) whether it is a fact that the number of employees of Kendriya Bhandar have not been relieved even after their transfers;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the staff working in Sector IX, R. K. Puram have been working there for a long period and the juniors are being transferred regularly; and

(e) what remedial measures Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) and (b) Kendriya Bhandar is a cooperative society registered under the Delhi Cooperative Societies Act, 1972 and is also governed by the Delhi Shops and Establishments Act, 1954.

The policy and rules of the Govt. of India with regard to transfer of the staff are not applicable to Kendriya Bhaandar. Transfers of staff are made by Kendriya Bhandar, keeping in view the needs of organisational efficiency and suitability of employees to man various posts.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) No. Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

Commuted pension on completion of 12 years

5973. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in Karnataka and Punjab, the commuted value of pension is restored on completion of 12 years in respect of pensioners; and

(b) if so, the reasons for not extending such benefits to Government of India pensioners?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) The period for restoration of commuted value of pension is 15 years for Central Government pensioners. The State pensions are, however, the concern of the respective State Governments and there need not be uniformity in this regard. The position regarding the commuted value of pension and its restoration in the States of Karnataka and Punjab is being collected.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

Select list for filing posts in Asstt. Grade

5974. SHRI KAMESHWAR PASWAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of vacancies in Assistants' Grade in Central Secretariat Services filled through Select List under different quotas fixed for Direct Recruitment, Seniority Quota and Temporary Promotion (Long term) during the Select List years 1985 to 1989, year-wise;